

IC 20-3-21

Chapter 21. Election of School Board Members in Gary

IC 20-3-21-1

Applicability of chapter

Sec. 1. IC 20-4-10.1 does not apply to a school corporation or the governing body of a school corporation covered by this chapter.

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.26-2000, SEC.35.

IC 20-3-21-2

"School corporation"

Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "school corporation" means a school corporation that is located in a city having a population of more than ninety thousand (90,000) but less than one hundred five thousand (105,000).

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.12-1992, SEC.98; P.L.170-2002, SEC.112.

IC 20-3-21-3

Governing body; members

Sec. 3. (a) The governing body of the school corporation consists of seven (7) members elected as follows:

- (1) On a nonpartisan basis.
- (2) In a primary election held in the county.

(b) The membership shall be comprised of the following:

- (1) Six (6) of the members shall be elected from the school districts under section 4 of this chapter. Each member shall be elected from the school district in which the member resides but shall, upon election and in conducting the business of the governing body, represent the interests of the entire school corporation.
- (2) One (1) of the members elected may reside in any of the districts drawn under section 4 of this chapter. Upon election and in conducting the business of the governing body, the member shall represent the interests of the entire school corporation.

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.8-1992, SEC.35; P.L.153-1997, SEC.1; P.L.221-2001, SEC.1.

IC 20-3-21-4

Districts

Sec. 4. The districts shall be drawn on the same lines as the common council districts set forth in IC 36-4-6-3.

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1.

IC 20-3-21-5

Candidates for district positions on governing body; election

Sec. 5. (a) The six (6) members who are elected for a position on the governing body described under section 3(b)(1) of this chapter

are determined as follows:

- (1) Each candidate must file a nomination petition with the clerk of the circuit court at least seventy-four (74) days before the election at which the members are to be elected and that includes the following information:
 - (A) The name of the candidate.
 - (B) The district in which the candidate resides.
 - (C) The signatures of at least one hundred (100) registered voters residing within the school corporation.
 - (D) The fact that the candidate is running for a district position.
 - (E) A certification that the candidate meets the qualifications for candidacy imposed by this chapter.
 - (2) Only eligible voters residing in the district may vote for a candidate.
 - (3) The candidate within each particular district who receives the greatest number of votes within the district is elected.
- (b) The member who is elected for a position on the governing body described under section 3(b)(2) of this chapter is determined as follows:

- (1) Each candidate must file a nomination petition with the clerk of the circuit court at least seventy-four (74) days before the election at which the at-large member is to be elected. The petition must include the following information:
 - (A) The name of the candidate.
 - (B) The signatures of at least one hundred (100) registered voters residing within the school corporation.
 - (C) The fact that the candidate is running for the at-large position on the governing body.
 - (D) A certification that the candidate meets the qualifications for candidacy imposed by this chapter.
- (2) Only eligible voters residing in the school corporation may vote for a candidate.
- (3) The candidate who:
 - (A) runs for the at-large position on the governing body; and
 - (B) receives the greatest number of votes within the school corporation;is elected to the at-large position.

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.8-1992, SEC.36; P.L.153-1997, SEC.2; P.L.221-2001, SEC.2.

IC 20-3-21-6

Residency requirements

Sec. 6. (a) A candidate who runs for a position on the governing body described under section 3(b)(1) of this chapter must reside within the boundaries of the school corporation district for which the candidate filed.

(b) A candidate who runs for the at-large position on the governing body described in section 3(b)(2) of this chapter must reside within the boundaries of the school corporation.

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.8-1992, SEC.37; P.L.153-1997, SEC.3; P.L.221-2001, SEC.3.

IC 20-3-21-7

Balloting procedures

Sec. 7. The Indiana state board of education with assistance from the county election board shall establish balloting procedures under IC 3 for the election and all other procedures required to implement this chapter.

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1.

IC 20-3-21-8

Term of office

Sec. 8. The term of each person elected to serve on the governing body is four (4) years, beginning July 1 following election.

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1.

IC 20-3-21-9

Schedule of elections

Sec. 9. The members shall be elected as follows:

(1) Three (3) of the members elected under section 3(b)(1) of this chapter shall be elected at the primary election to be held in 2000 and every four (4) years thereafter.

(2) Three (3) of the members elected under section 3(b)(1) of this chapter shall be elected at the primary election to be held in 2002 and every four (4) years thereafter.

(3) The at-large member elected under section 3(b)(2) of this chapter shall be elected at the primary election to be held in 2004 and every four (4) years thereafter.

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.8-1992, SEC.38; P.L.153-1997, SEC.4; P.L.122-2000, SEC.17; P.L.221-2001, SEC.4.

IC 20-3-21-10

Vacancies

Sec. 10. (a) A vacancy on the governing body is created whenever any of the following occur:

(1) The death of a member.

(2) The resignation of a member.

(3) A member ceases to be a resident of the school corporation.

(4) A member fails to attend, except for chronic illness, six (6) regularly scheduled meetings of the governing body in any twelve (12) month period.

(5) A member moves from the school district in which the member was elected.

(6) Any other reason provided by law that creates a vacancy.

(b) A vacancy on the governing body shall be filled temporarily by the governing body as soon as practicable after the vacancy occurs.

As added by P.L.156-1991, SEC.1. Amended by P.L.153-1997, SEC.5; P.L.221-2001, SEC.5.

IC 20-3-21-11**List of members and officers of school corporation**

Sec. 11. Before August 1 of each year, the school corporation shall file with the state superintendent of public instruction a list of the:

- (1) names and addresses of members of the school corporation's governing body;
- (2) names and addresses of the school corporation's officers; and
- (3) expiration dates of the terms of the school corporation's members and officers.

The school corporation shall file any changes in the list within thirty (30) days after the changes occur.

As added by P.L.26-2000, SEC.36.